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TITLES OF ACTS

Passed by the Fifteenth Legislature of the State of Maine, and approved by the Governor, 1835.

AN ACT authorizing the United States to take and hold lands within this State, for the purpose of erecting light-houses thereon.

—Relative to the safe keeping of persons lunatic or furiously mad. To incorporate the town of Edinburg. To incorporate the town of Enfield. To annex part of the territory north of Albion to that town. Additional to increase the salary of the Register of Probate in the County of Penobscot; in addition to an Act to incorporate the Hallowell Ferry Company; to annex certain land belonging to James Jordan to the town of Raymond; to incorporate the town of Passadunk; additional to incorporate the Baring Bridge; to incorporate the town of Bradley; authorizing the Supreme Judicial Court to grant leave to the guardians of insane persons to make a conveyance of real estate in certain cases; to incorporate the Franklin Manufacturing Company; to establish a Municipal Court in the town of Hallowell; abating certain State taxes; to repeal an Act incorporating the first Universal Christian Society in the town of Fryeburg; authorizing the extension of a wharf in tide waters in Eastport; additional requiring the use of broad-rimmed wheels in the town of Hallowell in certain cases; additional to establish the Bucksport and Prospect Ferry Company; to incorporate the proprietors of Canton Point Bridge; to increase the capital stock of the Cumberland Steam Navigation Company; for the preservation and to regulate the taking of fish in Crooked River; to protect family burying grounds; to incorporate the proprietors of the Forest Grove Cemetery; additional to an Act ascertaining what shall constitute the legal settlement, and providing for the relief and support of the poor; in addition to an Act to incorporate the Bangor House Proprietary; to incorporate the Casine Mechanic Association; altering the time of holding the supreme Judicial Court in the County of Cumberland; in addition to an Act to incorporate the Portland and Cape Elizabeth Coal and Railroad Company; to incorporate the proprietors of Rumford Falls Bridge; to incorporate the Upper Stillwater Bridge; to incorporate the Augusta High School; in addition to an Act to incorporate the Georges Insurance Company; to incorporate the town of Ellsworth; in addition to incorporate the Augusta and Bangor Stage Company; directing the mode in which meetings of corporations may be called in certain cases; to incorporate the Frankfort Granite Company; authorizing the County Commissioners of Waldo County to lay out a highway over tide waters in Belfast; to set off Samuel Lord from Falmouth to Westbrook; to repeal an Act additional to regulate Banks and Banking; additional to an Act providing for the appointment of public administrators, and enlarging the powers of Judges of Probate; establishing Howland Academy; to incorporate the Vassalborough Academy; to prevent the introduction of paupers from foreign ports or places; to establish the Waterville Liberal Institute; to set off a part of Starks and annex the same to Mercer; in addition to an Act directing the method of laying out, and making provision for the repair and amendment of highways; for the preservation of the floating bridge in the town of Dexter; authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Kennebec to lay out a road over Eastern River; to incorporate the Wild River Bridge Company; to encourage the destruction of wolves and bears; additional to regulate the inspection of beef and pork; additional to an Act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company; additional to the several Acts for the regulation of the Penobscot Indians; additional to an Act to regulate the jurisdiction and proceedings of Courts of Probate; authorizing the erection of a dam across Winnegance Creek; to incorporate the Hancock Mutual Fire Insurance Company; to annex the town of Litchfield to the County of Kennebec; to incorporate the Orono Company; providing for the use of broad-rimmed wheels in the County of Penobscot; to incorporate the Maine Episcopal Missionary Society; in addition to an Act to incorporate the City of Bangor; creating the village of Augusta into a corporation for certain purposes; authorizing Judges of Probate in certain cases to grant licenses to husbands to make sale of real estate held in right of their wives; additional respecting parishes; to annex the two mile strip north of Township No. 2, Bingham purchase, to the town of Burlington; repealing part of an Act providing for the promotion of education; to incorporate the Oldtown Stage Company; to incorporate the Lincoln Benevolent Company; to incorporate the St. Croix River Company; to repeal an Act additional to an Act to establish the Court of Common Pleas; additional concerning Banks and Banking; to incorporate the Somerset Ferry Company; to alter and amend the several Acts and Laws for the administration of justice; to incorporate the Moosehead Lake Steam Navigation Company; to repeal an Act to annex to the town of New Portland sundry lots of land lying in New Vinard; to incorporate the Wells Mutual Marine Insurance Company; authorizing the Selectmen, Clerk and Treasurer of the town of Lovell to transfer certain funds in their trust to the school funds in that town; to change the names of certain persons; to incorporate the proprietors of the Carrington Bridge; providing for the appointment of a Judge and Register of Probate for the Northern District of the County of Washington; to change the name of the first Methodist Society in Falmouth and North Yarmouth; to establish the Oldtown and Millford Ferry Company;

to incorporate the town of Weston; to incorporate the town of Roxbury; repealing part of an Act establishing a Municipal Court in Bath; to incorporate the Kennebec Lumbering Company; to incorporate the Jefferson High School; additional relative to laying out and repairing highways; additional to an Act to incorporate the town of Naples; additional to provide for the location of certain lands; additional concerning the Bangor Insurance Company; to authorize the first parish in Bath to sell their meeting-house; authorizing the erection of a free bridge over Muddy River; to establish the Dead River Company; to prevent the destruction of pickers in McGurdy's Pond; in addition to an Act to incorporate the City of Bangor; to incorporate the town of Ois; exempting fishing boats from attachment; to reduce the tolls of Back Cove Bridge; to incorporate the Bank of Cumberland; enlarging the powers of constables in the town of Calais; to increase the capital stock of the Casco Bank; to incorporate the Matamoras Canal Company; repealing certain provisions of an Act regulating the fees of several officers and other persons therein named; additional respecting reviews; to regulate the sale of oats; to incorporate the Waldo Coal, Iron, Marble, and Lime Mining and Manufacturing Company; to incorporate the Washington County Bank; to increase the capital stock of the Calais Bank; to incorporate the Kennebec Log driving Company; additional establishing the Kennebec Boom Corporation; to incorporate the proprietors of the Merrymeeting Bridge; to provide for the sale and distribution of the Ministerial and School funds in the plantation of Argyle; to incorporate the People's Bank; to incorporate the Portland Thrift Company; to incorporate the Mariner's Bank; additional regulating divorces; to incorporate the Eastern Bank; in addition to an Act to regulate judicial process and proceedings; to incorporate the Stillwater Canal Bank; to increase the capital stock of the Bank of Portland; to prohibit the circulation of small Bank notes; to apportion and assess the State tax; to incorporate the proprietors of the South Thomaston Parsonage House; in addition to an Act respecting Wills and Testaments and regulating the descent of Intestate Estates; to incorporate the third parish in Bath; establishing the standard weight of potatoes; regulating costs in Judicial cases; in certain cases reducing the fees of Clerks of Courts; additional to an Act regulating Judicial process and proceedings; additional relative to Engine men; to repeal certain Acts authorizing the Agent of the Penobscot Indians to sell timber on their lands; for the safe keeping of gun powder in the City of Bangor; additional to prevent the destruction of fish in Denny's river and Penmaquin; to incorporate the Trustees of the Smith Female Seminary; to incorporate the Brunswick High School; additional establishing the Municipal Court in Portland; to incorporate the Casco and Kennebec Canal Company; additional to an Act to regulate the jurisdiction and proceedings of Courts of Probate; in addition to an Act to regulate the survey of Lumber in the County of Penobscot; to incorporate the owners of Meeting houses and for other purposes; concerning Mortgages and pledges of personal property and property subject to any lien created by law; respecting Cities; to incorporate the Brunswick Railroad Company; to incorporate the Waterville and Fairfield Railway Company; authorizing the town of Bath to take stock in the Merrymeeting Bridge; additional regulating Elections; additional to promote the sale and settlement of the public lands; in addition to an Act concerning Lunaholders, Retailers and Common Victuallers; for the preservation of the Salmon, Shad and Alive fisheries in Penobscot Bay and river and their tributary streams; for the relief of poor debtors; to provide for the expenditures of Government for 1835; to incorporate the Fryeburg Tomb Corporation; additional respecting highways.

Total, 156.

TITLES OF RESOLVES,

Passed by the Fifteenth Legislature of the State of Maine, and approved by the Governor, A. D. 1835.

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians for the purchase and distribution of Fairfield's Reports; relative to the election of Senators; in favor of Gideon Robinson; in favor of Israel Davis, and Jacob M. Russell; additional for the relief of the town of Hartland; for the repair of a gristmill in Brunswick; in favor of George Sewall; in favor of Dominicus Libbey; in favor of Peol Tonna, and Captain Atan, Penobscot Indians; in favor of Henry L. Noyes; relating to a Rail Road from some point on the Seaboard, or connected with the Seaboard by navigable waters to Quebec; providing for the purchase and distribution of Greenleaf's Reports; for the relief of Joseph Curtis; for the relief of Samuel Leach; authorizing Phoebe Barle and John Noble to make conveyance of certain real estate; Preamble and Resolutions in relation to the U. States Bank; in favor of Joseph Elden; in favor of Jo. n Neptune, Jo Suckasin, and Peol Molley; relative to a survey of Androscoggin river, with a view to remove obstructions; in favor of Nicholas Pierce; in favor of Deacon Sockbasin; in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians; authorizing a temporary loan in behalf of the State; in favor of the town of New Portland; authorizing the appointment and distribution of the School Fund; relative to the doings of the County Commissioners of Washington County; in favor of Deacon Sockbasin; in favor of the town of Liberty; respecting the Goal in York County; respecting a Rail Road,

from Quebec; in favor of Daniel Cony et als; authorizing the Land Agent to settle certain claims for public lands; in favor of John Bent; in favor of Warren Hathorn; in favor of James M. Jackson et als; authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish Adjutant General with Greenleaf's and Fairfield's Reports; authorizing the appointment of Auditors to investigate unsettled accounts of Lottery Managers; in favor of certain officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the widows of deceased officers and soldiers; for the preservation and repair of the Canada Road; for the payment of accounts against the State; for the preservation and repair of Mars Hill Road; for the erection of a Gunhouse in Norridgewock; relating to the publication of Special or Private Acts & Resolves; in favor of Esdel Grover; making appropriations for certain military purposes; laying a tax on the several Counties in this State; in favor of Union Academy at Kennebec; in favor of Israel Chadbourne; for the repair of Gunhouse in Wiscasset; in favor of Samuel Moulton; in favor of Hall Clements; additional for establishing an Insane Hospital; respecting the Baring and Houlton Road; for the purchase of additional copies of the revised Statutes; authorizing the appointment of a Superintendent of the Public Buildings; respecting the institution of a process against the Proprietors of the First Cumberland Turnpike Corporation; additional for the payment of accounts against the State; relating to the State Prison; providing for the repair of the Public Buildings; in favor of Gilman Turner and Wm. Saunders; to protect the State Building against injury from fire; in aid of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary; in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary; in favor of Mark Harris, late Treasurer of State; providing for opening a Road over part of the Mattawamkeag Indian Township; authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain lands belonging to the State; in relation to the public Acts and Resolves; respecting the First Cumberland Turnpike Corporation; to aid of St. Albans Academy; authorizing the Treasurer to pay a portion of the public debt; in favor of the Judge and Register of Probate in the County of Washington; providing for the appointment of School Commissioners; additional relating to the Blind; authorizing the appointment of certain officers; authorizing Attorneys in the Courts of Common Pleas, to practice law in the Supreme Judicial Court in certain cases; for establishing a Board of Internal Improvements; on the Pay Roll of the Senate; on the Pay Roll of the House of Representatives. Total 79.

From the Augusta Age.

The Legislature adjourned yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock, after a session of unusual length and activity. We publish in this paper the titles of the Acts and Resolves passed, which of themselves speak well for the amount of business transacted. But the great improvement of this session, we are informed, is the comparatively small proportion of business which has been disposed of by reference to the next Legislature. Heretofore, a very large number of petitions, bills, &c. have taken that course, and this winter an immense amount of business was found upon the files of referred papers. All that has, we believe, been finally disposed of, as well as the new business, except in cases where the rights of those interested or the public good demanded more time than a final action at this session could allow.

The session commenced with considerable party excitement. It is not to be concealed, although we regret again to advert to it, that the federal leaders came together, intent upon bettering their political prospects at the public expense. They opened with a vigorous assault upon the present administration of our State Government, on the subjects of our Northeastern Boundary, and the Treasury Department. Upon both these subjects they were met with unexpected talent, and many of those stubborn things commonly called facts. Scarcely had they come off second best from the discussion of the N. E. Boundary, and began to recover from their chagrin and disappointment, when they were met upon their other ground of attack, by indisputable facts, which effected their complete discomfiture. The Treasury, instead of being bankrupt, was found to be in a most flourishing condition, and the pecuniary resources of the State, more abundant than at any previous period of its existence! The consequence was, that their "fight," of which they were at first so full, entirely subsided, and the remainder of the Session devoted, without resistance, to the transaction of the public business.

It has been often remarked that there was more talent thrown into the present Legislature, than into any one preceding for a number of years. Certainly the opposition never exerted themselves more to obtain the mastery, and they were never more disappointed. An unusual amount of talent was found among members of both parties. In the selection of their presiding officers also, the two branches have done themselves credit. The President of the Senate has performed his duties with dignity, promptness and impartiality which commanded the approbation of all, and cannot fail to add much to his former well-earned reputation. Of Mr. DAVEE, the first elected Speaker of the House, we have heretofore spoken; but our commendations have fallen far short of the hearty and universal feeling of approval and respect which accompanied him when he retired from the Chair. His honorable and high-minded course, his devotion to the public interests, and uniform courtesy, while Speaker of the House, will be long remembered, and entitle him to universal confidence and respect. The anticipations of the friends of Mr. CILLEY, the successor of Mr. Davee have been fully realized.

From an intimate knowledge of his abilities, we predicted that he would fill the chair of the House with the same credit and success that attended him, as its leading debater; and our prediction has been verified, although it had the fortune to be brought into immediate comparison with the best presiding officer the House ever had. His services for the present session, and his steady adherence, in all circumstances, to the great principles of Democracy, entitle him to the confidence of the Democratic party. Enemies and violent ones he undoubtedly had—it was the portion of one who had mingled so much in political contests, and so often met the opponents of Democracy with the rough weapons of forensic debate. Besides that, several members of the Democratic party saw fit to vote against him, as Speaker, although he was fairly selected as the regularly nominated candidate. But the unanimous vote of approval, yesterday, gives us the best reason to believe that those gentlemen regret that they were led to oppose the system of regular nominations, which is the only warranty of success to the Democratic party; and although no one can doubt that if the nomination had been different and Mr. Cilley's friends had refused to sustain it, they would have had read to them a severe lecture from certain quarters, and although the organ which has usually undertaken to rebuke those who resist regular nominations, maintained on this occasion a profound silence—still we shall not execute the neglected office, better in its neglect, perhaps, generally, than in its fulfillment.

The passage of the law restricting the circulation of small Bank notes, and thus laying the foundation for a circulating medium of specie for the farmer and mechanic, can only but receive the hearty approbation of the friends of the policy and principles of the present national administration. That law owes its passage, in the House, where it was once rejected, chiefly to the persevering exertions of Mr. Jarvis of Ellsworth. That gentleman has been long and favorably known to the Democracy of Maine. His talents, industry, and, above all, his devotion to the best interests of the State and the people have for many years commanded the respect of all parties. And never has he been more conspicuous, or dealt harder blows for the democracy than during the present session of the Legislature.

In conclusion, we may safely say that the people will find as much to approve and as little to regret as at any previous meeting of their Representatives, and that, for the most part, an unusual harmony and devotedness of members of both parties to the best interests of the State have eminently characterized the present Legislature.

From the Saco Democrat.

"THE UNION."—A democratic paper is about being established in Nashville, Tenn. to subserve the interests of the whole party, in opposition to sectional bias and individual favoritism. It will support the candidate regularly nominated by the delegates of the people. We make the following extract from the prospectus, which plainly indicates its devotion to correct principles, and the stand it will take in the coming Presidential contest—"It is union—union in favor of the democratic candidate who can unite in his support the greatest number of those of the household of the true faith in politics—which it shall be the constant endeavor of our paper to promote and preserve. When the year 1836 shall come, fraught with all the exciting political events which must then transpire, we shall hope to see every 'good man and true,' having at heart the future welfare of his country, acting in full concert with his political friends, without the slightest regard to sectional distinctions; thus presenting to the common enemy, the unsubdued and indissoluble front of a band of brothers."

THE FRENCH QUESTION.—Many of the opposition presses have labored hard to justify, in a measure, the course pursued by the French Government, in refusing, thus far, to make the necessary appropriation for carrying into effect the treaty of July 4th, 1831, and to throw the blame on Mr. Rives, our Minister to that Government at that time. It has been said again and again, that France would have paid the money over, without the least hesitation, had it not been for Mr. Rives' boasting. The following letter from Mr. Jay, of the Chamber of Deputies, will put this matter at rest. We hope those presses that have labored so very hard to apologize for France at the expenses of Mr. Rives, will now show themselves ready to render that gentleman justice, so far, at least as to publish Mr. Jay's letter.

Copy of a letter from Mr. Jay, late Report of the Commission upon American Claims in the Chamber of Deputies.

PARIS, January 24.
MY DEAR SIR—it is asserted in the American prints, that the rejection of the American Treaty by the Chamber of Deputies, at their last session, was chiefly owing to the publication of a letter from Mr. Rives to his own Government. This is an error, which justice to that distinguished statesman, and a sense of his unremitting exertions to promote the interests of his Government, whilst here induce me formally to contradict.

No such evidence appears in the debates; and in none of my conversations with the members, have I heard this letter alluded to as a motive for disputing the amount due. I much question indeed if any other Deputy than myself ever read the letter alluded to.

I regret also to learn, that doubts are entertained by some persons of distinction in the United States, as to the desire felt by the King

to have the treaty of 1831, confirmed by a vote of the Chamber of Deputies.

This is an error, which you cannot correct too soon. Independently of the known loyalty of my Majesty, the refusal of the Chamber to carry into effect the treaty, would tend directly to weaken the Royal prerogative. Such is the opinion of the enlightened man, who think the preservation of liberty depends on preserving, in its full extent, the prerogative of the Crown, as well as the prerogative of the legislating powers.

With perfect esteem, your most devoted,
A. JAY.

To Mr. G. M. GIBBS.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

The Postmaster General's response to the accusations brought against him, will command the public attention. It is just to him, that his publication should be thoroughly considered and candidly constructed. We regret that he has not had time to present a perfect exposure of the condition of the Department—its mail facilities, &c. as existing at the period that he came in and the actual condition of its affairs at this moment. This will one day be his best defence with the country.—*The Globe.*

Why have the nullifiers of Virginia proscribed and persecuted W. C. Rives? Was it not for voting in favor of the "bloody bill," and sustaining the removal of the deposits? For these reasons they would not permit him to be Senator, even at the hazard of trampling on the sacred right of popular instructions. Yet they now support Judge White for the Presidency, who did precisely the same things! These are the men who are always boasting of their adherence to principles!!!—*The Globe.*

New Fancy Article.—A gentleman advertises, that among other slaves, he wishes to purchase "several likely small fancy girls for nurses."

STATE OF MAINE.

BY THE GOVERNOR.

A PROCLAMATION. FOR A DAY OF HUMILIATION, FASTING & PRAYER.

Every thing around us proclaims the benevolence of God. We see daily exhibitions of his goodness, in all the works of Creation, and in the whole order of his Providence. Reason as well as revelation teaches that He is a God of love, and that He delights in the happiness of his creatures. But while we as a people have been distinguished by his mercies, have we not reason to apprehend the sterner visitations of his justice, for the ingratitude with which we have requited them?

By the return of this opening season, which reminds us of our dependence upon God for the fruits of the earth, and for the continued supply of all our necessities, we are admonished to humble ourselves before Him, for our multiplied offences, and with united supplications to implore the forgiveness of our sins, through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

We have not only the pious example of our fathers, but the authority of God's Holy word to guide us, in setting apart seasons for public humiliation, fasting and prayer.

I have therefore thought fit to appoint, and by and with the advice and consent of the Council, I do appoint THURSDAY, the sixteenth day of April next, to be observed throughout this State as a public Fast. And I do recommend to ministers and people of every religious denomination, to assemble in their respective places of worship on that day, and to engage in exercises suitable to the occasion.

Let us endeavor to keep "an acceptable fast unto the Lord," exhibiting before the eye of Omniscience, that sincere contrition for sin, which will induce Him to listen to the voice of our supplications, to avert from us the judgments we deserve, and to continue to us the blessings we have forfeited.

Let us commend to God the general interests of our State, and pray for his blessing upon our agriculture, commerce and manufactures—upon our schools and higher seminaries of learning—upon our religious and benevolent institutions.

Let us pray for the suppression of vice among us—the Sabbath may no longer be desecrated, that intemperance and profanity may cease to prevail, and that the evil passions of men may be restrained.

Let us pray for the benign influences of his spirit to descend upon every part of our State, that the waste places of our Zion may be refreshed and become as the garden of the Lord.

Let us also commend to God the interests of our common country, praying that we may be preserved from civil discord and enabled to keep peace with all nations; that health and happiness may abound in every part of our land; that infidelity and false religion of every kind may be abolished, and that the pure principles of the Gospel of Jesus Christ may every where prevail.

And I do earnestly request the people of this State to suspend all unnecessary labor and recreation, on the day of the appointed Fast.

Given at the Council Chamber in Augusta, this thirteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, and in the fifty-ninth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

ROBERT P. DUNLAP.

By the Governor,
ROSCOE G. GREENE, Sec'y of State.

OXFORD DEMOCRAT.

PARIS, MARCH 31, 1835.

The Legislature of this State adjourned on Tuesday last, after a session of eleven weeks. We lay before our readers in this day's paper, the titles of the Acts and Resolves that have been passed. The number of Acts is one hundred and fifty, that of the Resolves seventy-nine. It is a well established maxim in our Courts, that every man is presumed to know what the law is, and of course to be acquainted with the numerous modifications that are yearly introduced. This is one of those cases where legal presumption is not in strict conformity with the truth. Of the more than two hundred Legislators, we do not believe there is one, who, taking the titles of the Acts and Resolves, can tell the substance of their provisions. How then is it to be expected that the people at large shall be familiar with all these things? Supposing all the laws passed during the present session to be of a beneficial tendency, their very number is in itself a great evil. To those who are able to read and can find leisure to read the numerous volumes of our laws, it is a matter of no little difficulty & labor to ascertain what is the existing law on any given subject. The people of this State profess, and probably entertain a suitable antipathy to lawyers, yet they cannot in any way so effectually encourage and enrich them as by this multiplicity, perplexity and confusion of the laws. We admit that our laws are far from being perfect, and doubtless many valuable improvements may be made in them, but we believe if a Legislature were to do nothing else during its whole session, but simply repeal some two or three hundred or more of the existing laws, they would do a greater benefit to the State, than has ever yet been done in one year. We have had as yet no opportunity of examining the laws which have been passed during the last session—they may be all good and valuable, but we confess that their number is formidable, and we are not without our fears that some may prove worse than useless. The present Legislature is said to have been distinguished for the amount of talent it contained—for its industry and attention to business, and above all for the good feeling that has existed in general, among all parties. The debates have evinced talents of a high order, and the number of Acts and Resolves passed, manifests their industry. The beneficial effects of their laws are to be tested by their practical operation. We shall soon present them to our readers on an extra sheet, and shall offer from time to time such comments as they may appear to deserve.

The editor of the Kennebec Journal, almost weekly repeats to his readers that the refusal of the French to execute the treaty, has all been owing to what he is pleased to term Mr. Rives' boasting. Will he also inform his readers and the public, why, if this is the case, it was never offered as a reason for rejecting the treaty by any member of the French Chamber of Deputies during the debates on the subject. No allusion to any thing of the kind is to be found in the report of the debates which we have seen. For further proof we would also refer to Mr. Jay's letter which expressly contradicts this oft-repeated assertion of the federal papers. We cannot envy the patriotism of those, who, from party feelings, can take part with a foreign nation against our own country.

We have received no later news from France than that contained in our last.

The Post Master General has published a vindication of himself, addressed to the House of Representatives, in reply to the report of the committee on the affairs of his department. He corrects some errors contained in the Report, and complains that no opportunity was afforded him to explain or refute the charges made against him. Justice and fair dealing certainly required that when the committee found any thing in the management of the affairs of the department which they considered wrong or improper, they should have asked of the Head of the department an explanation before they proceeded to condemn the procedure. He states that the Files and Records of the department prove many of their accusations to be untrue, and many other things which the committee censured as improper, a thorough examination and explanation would have justified. We regret that the length of the letter is such as to exclude it from our columns, at least for the present. We should doubt whether there is an office in the country, where a committee unacquainted with the details of the business, would not find many things which they could not understand, and which might to them appear deserving of censure. We cannot conceive of any justifiable motive which could lead a committee to lay before the people, a Report censuring the conduct of an officer, without affording him an opportunity of knowing the charges that were to be made against him, and of justifying or explaining his conduct if it could be done. Public justice requires that both sides should be heard; yet the P. M. General says that the first intimation he had of many of the charges was the perusal of the report of the committee. That Report has been printed at the public expense, and franked by members of Congress to all parts of the country, while his vindication will probably be seen by few.

A Probate Court will be holden at the Probate Office on the 2d Tuesday of April.

The following letter is a part of the correspondence and documents submitted to the Legislature by the the Governor in relation to the Insane Hospital:

(copy.)

To Robert P. Dunlap, Esq. Governor of the State of Maine.

SIR:—The liberality and generous sympathy of the Legislature of Maine, in providing by their Resolve of the 8th of March, 1834, an appropriation by the State of \$20,000 for the purpose of establishing an Insane Hospital in Maine, on condition that the like sum of \$20,000 be raised by individual donations for the same object, within one year, are worthy of all praise, and the benefits intended should not be lost, if it be possible to prevent it. How is it that the misery and distress of the Insane in our State have not called into exercise enough benevolence and humane effort to secure an asylum and proper treatment for those who cannot think and act for themselves? Do not the recent reports of the Managers of Insane Hospitals encourage the hope, nay, the belief, that by early attention and suitable treatment, the diseases of the mind are as susceptible of cure, as other diseases are; and can

it be that the same portion of the community will neglect to provide the means for such attention and treatment? Strange indifference to the case of those really Impotent, while efforts upon subjects of questionable utility are unthiring!

Looking at what has been done, and then considering what remains to be done to prevent the loss of what has been done, I cannot keep silence any longer. The Legislature have said "the State will give its \$20,000, provided individuals will contribute an equal amount."—Mr. Brown has said, "I will, from the results of my industry and frugality give \$10,000."—Does this produce no effect? Are not the sympathies of others touched by such examples of real, genuine benevolence? Cannot the groans, the cries, the misery and the wretchedness of the maniac be heard and pitied by others? From the fact that no others have manifested a disposition to do any thing, that nothing has been done,—it would seem so; but it is impossible—it cannot, it must not be so.

Believing as I do that a majority of Insane persons, by early attention and proper treatment may be cured, and restored to their friends and society, and that the condition of the incurable may be greatly improved and alleviated by the establishment of a Hospital, I cannot content myself to lie by and suffer all that has been done, towards providing for such an object, to be lost, when it is within my power to prevent it.

It belongs to others as much as to me to aid in this object; but if they do not, if they will not, shall so great a good be lost, perhaps forever, for the want of the remaining \$10,000? Was ever the sum of \$40,000 to be appropriated to a better purpose? And shall the \$30,000 provided by the State and by Mr. Brown, be suffered to return to other objects, and the cause of the insane be suffered to remain unheard, unaided, unrelieved? No! the remaining \$10,000 must be added. I can do it, and the question is, will I do it? What better use could I make of that sum? How can I effect a greater good, with that amount, than by adding it to what the State and Mr. Brown have already provided, and thus secure the erection of an Insane Hospital under the direction and patronage of the State, whose interest and pride it always will be, as I trust and believe, to patronize and oversee it in such a manner as to render in an honor to my native State, and the means of relieving and restoring many unfortunate fellow beings who may be its tenants?

This train of reflection has induced me to prepare and place in your hands the enclosed obligation to contribute the remaining 10,000 towards erecting and maintaining the Insane Hospital, as provided for by the Resolve of 8th March, 1834, which I do with the knowledge of Mr. Brown, and with his consent to modify the conditions of his donation so far as relates to the location of the Hospital, it being understood by him and me, that if the Governor and Council shall think the good of the Institution would be promoted by having it located in Augusta, rather on the spot proposed by Mr. Brown, they are at liberty so to do—each of us regarding it more important to secure the affections of the people and the patronage of the State to the Hospital, than to be particular as to its location.

Respectfully, your obt. servt.

REUEL WILLIAMS.

Augusta, March 4, 1835.

The Hon. James Buchanan, U. S. Senator from Pennsylvania, having been nominated as a candidate for the Vice Presidency by the citizens of Lancaster County in that State, declined the nomination. He says that by taking this step, he thinks he shall promote the harmony and success of the Democratic party throughout the Union.—*Skowhegan Sentinel*.

The House of Representatives, it will be seen by a reference to the Legislative proceedings, has passed to be engrossed, in concurrence with the Senate, the bill prohibiting the circulation of small Bank bills. The bill provides that, from and after the 1st of June next, no Banking Corporation shall issue any bills of the denomination of one dollar; after the 1st of January, no bills of the value of two dollars; after the 1st of June 1836, no bills of the value of three dollars. The circulation of all these bills is to be stopped, under a penalty of double the amount of the bills to be forfeited and recovered in an action of debt.—*S. Sentinel*.

PERSIA.

From this oriental empire, which is seldom heard of except as the scene of poetry and romance, the recent arrivals from Europe bring intelligence of some interest. The sovereign of this country recently deceased. A letter from Constantinople of Dec. 17, states that at the moment of his death, many of his sons rushed on his body, in order to seize the diamonds which he wore. In this contest three of the Princes were killed. All the south of Persia became immediately the scene of revolt and carnage. One of the sons named Zillah Sultan, caused himself to be proclaimed the Shah of Persia. He is said to be a man without talent or firmness of character, but he contrived to get possession of his father's treasure, which enabled him to pay his partisans. Another son proclaimed himself King of the province of Schiras. A third did the same at Kermanshah; and an old minister, Ammir-Daula collected troops, and was fighting on his own account. The young Shah, Mohammed, grandson of the deceased, by whom he was appointed successor to the throne, had quit Teheran at the head of his army. His regular troops are composed of 700 men, with 24 field pieces, and it is supposed that he will appear before

Teheran at the head of an army of 40,000 men who will join on the route. He is, moreover, accompanied by the diplomatic agents of Russia and England, and a great number of English officers. Taurus and its environs are tranquil. The Kurds, whose hordes, almost independent, are scattered over the Persian territory, had not taken part in the civil war. It was expected that Teheran would not be able to hold out long, in consequence of the artillery and regular troops employed against it.

A letter from Damascus of Dec. 8, represents the finest provinces of Persia were ravaged by civil war. The uncle of the new Shah had raised a numerous army, with which he was endeavoring to usurp the rights of his nephew. The inhabitants of Teheran were in the utmost consternation, lest the warlike tribes on the frontiers of Turkey should take the advantage of the rebellion, to enter into Iran and plunder the village. According to another letter, the new monarch had resolved on applying to Russia for assistance.

The English prints render it certain, that the liberal party have triumphed over the Tories by a majority in the next House of Commons, of upwards of an hundred; probably an hundred and fifty. The Peel and Wellington ministry will try to save themselves by promising some reform. But, like our Senators, pledged contrary to all their propensities and anti-democratic principles, they will disappoint the expectations which lends them support.

[The Globe.

BOYINGTON, the Murderer. The Mobile Register narrates some terrific passages in the last hour of this wretched man's existence. It is now evident that he was firmly persuaded that he would not be executed, and that he entertained a belief that if it came to the worst he could save himself by contriving to exhaust the time until the last minute of the hour appointed for his execution had passed, and then he could not be executed and his life would be safe. It was to this end that he prepared the long written address to the spectators. He was permitted to proceed with it until the hour of four arrived. He was informed of the necessity of closing, and directed to prepare for the final scene. His whole soul steeled and nerved as it had been up to that minute, covered and sunk at once into abject desperation. A more sudden and fearful transition says the Register, cannot well be imagined. When his abrupt and eager inquiries of the attending ministers of religion—Is there no hope?—must I die? were answered in the negative, the dreadful certainty overwhelmed him. His nerves were shattered, the blood forsook his cheeks, and despair was written in awful marks upon his aching features. As a wild chance for his life, he dashed from the foot of the gallows, in the frantic hope of escape among the crowd. This futile effort was easily defeated. He was seized and reconducted to the place of execution. Then ensued a scene of horror which finds no parallel in the execution of the laws. The hopeless agony of the criminal was displayed in obstinate resistance to the performance of the necessary duties of the agents of the law; and even when at last suspended from the fatal cord, his desperate clinging to the life he had forfeited, was shown by struggles to free his arms from the pinions, and clutching the rope. He succeeded in thrusting his hands between the rope and his throat, and thus resisting and struggling to the last, died despairing and impatient. The last five minutes of his life were marked by a horror of dying, a prostration of nerve and reckless levity of carriage which had signalized him during the whole of the trial and the interval between condemnation and execution.

Major Downing in Paris.—The Major's last letter is dated at Paris—the following is the conclusion of it:—"You can tell our folks there ain't going to be no war with France, unless we begin it, for I believe they'll pay us the money as soon as they can do so, and git clear of having their neighbors say they were frightened into it.—I have been asked pretty often here if the United States will declare war if they don't pay us; and I tell'em, that as nighe as I can calculate, I guess they will. But if I had my way about it I wouldn't jest yet, nor would I tell'em when I would; but I'd keep my eye on'em, and as we have got judgment, I'd every year add interest to principal; and when they git mix'd up in some fight with their neighbors in Europe, and they'd have quite so much power to injure us as would 'em now have, I'd hop down upon 'em and make 'em pay every dollar, or lend' their enemies a hand in giving 'em a sound thrashing;—not that I am afraid to fight 'em right off now, but then my notion is if I wanted to fight a chap who only owed me money, I'd do it only for the mere sake of thrashing him, and I should take my own time, and when I could do so without his being able to give me a scratch or a black eye. But in defence of honor or liberty, and the rights of citizens, and such like, I'd go at it if I thought I'd come out of it with only one eye and a shoe string left."

Amusing Quirks of Benevolence.—The following is a literal exemplification of the doctrine of provoking one another to good works. We take it from the Cazenovia, N. Y. Monitor:—"A strife, of rather an unusual character, was carried on in Buffalo, during the last cold weather. The Mayor, Ebenezer Johnson, gave public notice in the city papers on the 16th February, that he would furnish 25 cords of Wood, to such poor families as were unable

to supply themselves—with a proviso, that 'none need apply whose poverty has been caused by intemperance.'

This brought out Manly Colton, Esq. on the 18th, who gave a like notice, that he would give 'to the shivering mothers and children of the city, who have become poor and destitute in consequence of the heastly crime of temperance on the part of their natural protectors,' 25 cords of Wood.

The next day, O. H. Dibble, gave notice that he would furnish 25 cords of wood to such families as were unable to purchase it, without requiring them to prove either that they are 'heastly drunkards,' or 'that they have never expended money in intemperance.'

The day following, Samuel Twitchell, jr. offered to give 25 cords of wood to such as were destitute, and unable to purchase, 'no matter from what cause they became so.'

On the same day, Alanson and Julia Palmer announced, that they would give one hundred dollars, in provision and clothing to the needy. They say, "It is enough for the applicants to be poor—we wish not to know the cause of their misfortunes, but wish all to be temperate, industrious, and happy."

John Wheelock, a butcher, also gave notice on the same day, that he would give to the suffering poor of the city, 25 pounds of beef, for every cord of wood that the Mayor should furnish—and would 'not go into a detailed examination of how they became needy.'"

Portland Advertiser.

From some remarks of Mr. Holmes in the House on Monday, it will be seen that he speaks with some distrust of one of his old partners in the firm of "John Holmes, Felix Grundy and the Devil." We always suspected the last named personage carried off most the profits of the concern—but little expected the heart-burning would continue so long after its dissolution.—[Argus.

Importance of Geology. The importance of attending Professor Sillman's Lectures may be inferred from the following attested fact:—Three farmers in New Hampshire, who had attended a course of lectures on geology, and thereby became familiarly acquainted with the different kinds of minerals afterwards purchased a quantity of land abounding with the finest granite—a fact unknown to the owner of the soil—for \$3,000, the price asked for it. They have since been offered \$50,000 for the land. "Facts are stubborn things."

Corinthian Tom says glass ware must be uncorinthian to be in New York, for he observed several whole tumblers lying about in the streets last Monday.—N. Y. Times.

MARRIED.

In this town, by Stephen Emery, Esq. Mr. Charles Young, Jr. to Miss Abigail Prince, both of this town.

In this town, by Josiah Dudley, Esq. Mr. Samuel W. Doe, to Miss Nancy Stearns, both of P. In Canton, Mr. Isaac Noyes, of Minot, to Miss Hannah Gibbs, of Canton.

In Dixfield, Mr. Francis W. Baxter to Miss Lavina Holland, both of Dixfield.

DIED.

In Winthrop, Mrs. Mehitable Varnum, daughter of Mr. Samuel Harvey. Mrs. Hannah Allen, aged about 35.

In Boston, Benj. T. Pickman, President of the State of Massachusetts. At Keneb, N. H. Hon Samuel Dinsmoor, late Governor of that State, aged 69.

Revolutionary Soldiers. THE subscriber will act as Agent for those persons or their widows, in the Massachusetts line, who enlisted for three years or during the war, and who served three years, claiming the benefit of the Resolve of the Legislature of the State of Maine, passed March 17, 1835—which entitles them to two hundred acres of Land well—by preparing their declarations and evidence, and procuring their deeds and certificates from the Land Agent.

Paris, March 31, 1835. THOMAS CLARK. eow3t 33

SIX MONTHS IN A CONVENT. RUSSELL, ODORNE & Co., have in press, and will publish in a few days, a new work with the above title, being the Narrative of Miss REBECCA THERESA REED, who was under the influence of the Roman Catholics about two years, and an inmate of the Convent, on Mount Benedict, Charlestown, nearly six months in 1831-2.

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Commissioners' Notice. WE having been appointed by the Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford, to receive and examine the claims of the several creditors of JOHN L. LIVERMORE, late of Livermore in said County, deceased, whose estate is represented insolvent, give notice that six months, commencing on the twelfth day of March inst. have been allowed to said creditors to bring in and prove their claims, and that we will attend the service assigned us at the dwelling house of Lewis Hutton, Esq. in said Livermore on Saturday the second day of May next, and on the first Saturday of August and September next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, on each of said days.

LEWIS HUTTON, MOSSES G. HASKELL, } Commissioners. Livermore, March 12, 1835. 3 w 32

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